

ADOT Construction Task Force Meeting

Date & Time: 11/30/2010, 4:30 to 7:00 pm

Location: Oaxaca restaurant – 15th Ave & Van Buren

Attendees: Rosemary Middleton, Don Davis, Martin Ramirez, Jeremy Bader, Jeanette McDaniel, Jeremy Bader, Marie Torrez, Melissa Boyles, Rita Lawrence, Steve Olds, Peggy De Veau, Barbara Sparrgrove.

Meeting Summary

Construction Task Force Summary:

The ADOT Construction Task Force was formed to identify the problems DBE contractors face when attempting to do ADOT work. The task force will attempt to solve barriers to entry for construction firms.

Task Force Leadership

Chair – Barbara Sparrgrove

Vice – Marie Torres

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Barbara Sparrgrove, Task Force chair, at 4:47. She led the review of “Identifying Barriers; Promoting Solutions” written by Patti Tellez. In review Barbara asked how we can solve the top three issues. She presented the task force with the idea of “ranking” DBE’s by a letter. Three different levels A, B, and C. By how ready willing and able a company was.

Marie Torres from MRM Construction Services asked “Who will rank the DBE’s ADOT?” She stated, as a task force we are not able to legally give out that kind of recommendation.

Don Davis from Austin Bridge & Road suggested creating a mentor process for filling in the Prime pre-qual forms.

Peggy De Veau, stated that ADOT has a lot of other programs in place, if bonding is a big issue why can’t they put together a bonding program.

Barbara Sparrgrove, asked “Other than training DBE’s, what would be best for primes. Martin Ramirez from FNF Construction stated “Education”. Marie Torres suggested certification through the AGC.

Barbara Sparrgrove said a few closing words. She went through some next meeting details and identified some good meeting times. Action items that came from Barbara are below. Meeting closed at 6:50.

Action Items

- Check list for what DBE’s hold; Not a ranking list
- Online Web Training for Pre-qual process, generic info that everyone can use.
- Next meeting will be in January